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Education

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

- Dissertation title: “*I Feel Impelled to Write’: Male Intimacy, Epistolary Privacy, and the Culture of Letter Writing during the Civil War*”

Doctor of Philosophy in History, 2016

Master of Arts in History, 2009

Pomona College; Claremont, California

Bachelor of Arts (Cum Laude) in English and Politics, 1998

Academic employment

Visiting Lecturer

University of Illinois, Chicago; 2019-present

Lecturer

Stephen F. Austin State University, 2017-2019

Visiting Assistant Professor

Ball State University, 2016-2017

Grants, fellowships, and awards

Rita Lloyd Moroney Award for Scholarship

Smithsonian National Postal Museum, 2020

Marion Morse Wood Fellowship

University of Illinois, 2014-2015

William and Madeline Smith Research Award

University of Texas, 2013

Filson Research Fellowship

Filson Historical Society, 2013

Frances S. Summersell Fellowship

University of Alabama, 2013

Jacob M. Price Research Fellowship

University of Michigan, 2013

King V. Hostick Scholarship

Illinois State Historical Society, 2012

General Matthew B. Ridgway Grant

US Army Military History Institute, 2012

Teaching honors

Silver Circle Award for Excellence in Teaching - University of Illinois at Chicago, 2026

Instructor of the Year - Honors College, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2022-2023

Helligenstein Award for Undergraduate Teaching - University of Illinois, 2010

Seven times on “List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent” - University of Illinois, 2009-2016

Teaching experience

- US History
- Civil War and Reconstruction
- Women and Electoral Politics
- Politics of Food
- War, Society, & Institutions
- Jane Austen and Nostalgia

Publications in progress or under review

Book manuscript: *Mail Intimacy: Gender Roles and Epistolary Privacy during the Civil War*. (In progress)

“Midwesterners, Regional Identity, and the Civil War.” *Middle West Review*. (Under review)